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Appl. No. : 10/706,888
Applicants : Prabodh P. Parekh *et al.*
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action issued on January 22, 2009. A shortened statutory period for reply to this Office Action is set to expire on April 22, 2009. A petition for THREE-MONTH extension of time is concomitantly submitted herewith, thereby extending the expiration date to July 22, 2009. Applicants respectfully request the entry of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.